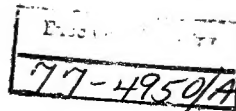


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The Honorable Juanita M. Kreps  
Secretary of Commerce  
Department of Commerce  
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Juanita,

It was good of you to take time out from what must be a hectic schedule to let us know that the Central Intelligence Agency team was of such assistance to your Advisory Committee on East-West Trade. You may be sure that I'll convey your appreciation along to those involved, including their supervisors.

We hope for other opportunities to engage in a substantive dialogue in a public format. There are constraints, but we intend to find our niche in an open Administration.

Yours,

STANSFIELD TURNER

*P.S. I hope you'll be good enough to come out for lunch and a discussion with some of these, or other, CIA people soon - Stan*

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**THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE**  
Washington, D.C. 20230


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Dear Admiral Turner:

Please accept my sincere thanks for your agency's participation in the June 29 meeting of our Advisory Committee on East-West Trade. I understand that the CIA team gave an excellent, thorough, and well-received presentation on the prospects for future Soviet petroleum production. Few events are more far-reaching in their potential consequences for the world energy situation and East-West economic relations than would be a short-fall in Soviet oil output in the 1980's. The CIA's appearance before the Advisory Committee should serve to strengthen understanding of the Agency's report on this subject. Please convey our thanks to those responsible for a job well done.

I believe that CIA participation in public discussions of its economic research findings is a significant step toward the President's goal of an open Administration. We are looking forward to cooperating with you on other mutually beneficial undertakings in the future.

Sincerely,

  
Juanita M. Kreps

Admiral Stansfield Turner  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Public Affairs  
SUBJECT : Publicity on CIA Soviet Oil Estimates  
REFERENCE : DD/OER Memorandum, dated 14 June 1977,  
Proposed Press Statement on Energy  
Study

5X1 1. In the referenced memorandum to you from [ ] we described the various coming opportunities for positive publicity on CIA estimates of Soviet oil. I have since obtained additional information on the meeting at Commerce scheduled for 29 June 1977 which indicates that this should be a golden opportunity to spell out and publicize our views and the basis for them. The occasion will be a meeting of Commerce's Advisory Committee on East-West Trade (see the Attachment). I have been advised that Commerce wants to use the meeting primarily to thoroughly air the CIA forecasts of Soviet oil production, demand, and trade. They expect to invite members of the responsible press, such as Business Week and the Wall Street Journal. Members of the embassies of Communist countries normally also attend these meetings.

2. We have agreed to give a presentation and also plan to make available at the meeting a detailed unclassified study of major aspects of the Soviet oil problem (reserves, production, and technology) and an unclassified version of the recent paper on Chinese oil. In view of the fact that the DCI's Joint Economic Committee testimony would not have been released in unclassified form by that time, we would deal with the implications of the oil problem for the Soviet economy only in general terms.

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3. We feel certain that this meeting will result in a great deal of publicity, and we hope that it will help to dispel some of the misimpressions that have been fostered by uninformed press coverage.

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